



Mackintosh Classes (Year 3 & 4)

Autumn 2 2024

Local Area Study

Intent

Our focus this term is on the local area of Shelf and will focus on geography, but will include history and RE also.

We will develop map skills so that we can plan and follow routes around the area.

We will be thinking about the locality we live in and also significant historic buildings children have learnt about before such as Shibden Hall. We will use our knowledge of the past to discuss how homes and buildings have changed.



Areas of Learning

As geographers, we will use our map skills to plan a route around a local area. We will also create and interpret maps of known locations such as our school grounds.

As artists, we will use printing techniques to create images of the local area.

As scientists, we will learn about Skeletons and Muscles. We will think about the importance of diet and lifestyle to support the health of the bones and muscles in our bodies.

This term we will also be learning about a variety of religious celebrations (Diwali, Hanukkah, Christmas etc.) and observing significant events such as Guy Fawkes Night and Remembrance Day.

We will plan a route through Shelf to St Michael and All Angels Church and will observe the important buildings and sites in the local area as we follow our route.

Community

As community members, we will think about the communities present in our area and visit a local church to discuss how religion impacts on the local area also.

British Values

As British citizens, we will explore the rule of law and consider the role of monarchy and government in a democracy.

Outdoor/Environmental

We will consider the impact that geographical features such as rivers have on the local community.

PSHCE

As happy, healthy individuals, we will consider how we can look after our own mental and physical wellbeing, and also have a positive impact on others'.

We are also studying...

Music: Playing Glockenspiels

RE: What faiths are shared in our country?

Computing: Events and Actions

French: Mon amis (My Friends)

PE: Dance

Key learning this term

English

Key Texts:

- Poetry – I asked the little boy who couldn't see
- Non fiction – Instructions for improving mental health
- Range of guided reading covering various genres over the term
- reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes
- discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination
- drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence
- identifying main ideas drawn from more than 1 paragraph and summarising these
- identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning

Maths

Shape:

- draw 2-D and 3-D shapes
- recognise and identify right angles
- identify horizontal and vertical lines and pairs of perpendicular and parallel lines

Multiplication and Division:

- Roman numerals, counting, representing numbers in different ways, finding 100 and 1000 more or less, comparing and ordering numbers, rounding, negative numbers

Important Information

- PE – children should come to school wearing their PE kits on PE days this term.
- All of Year 4 will go swimming on Mondays.
- All of Year 3 will do PE and/or Forest School on Mondays.
- Other PE days:
- M1 – Wednesday
- M2 & M3 – Thursday
- All children should have a spare shirt/apron for art. This can stay in school for the whole half term.

Sticky Knowledge

Parents/Carers can help children by discussing these essential facts and skills with their children.

Science

- Know about the skeletal and muscular system of a human
- Know about the importance of a nutritious, balanced diet
- Know how nutrients, water and oxygen are transported within animals and humans

History

- Know how the local area is different to the way it used to be a long time ago
- Know how Britain changed over time

Geography

- Know how to plan a journey within the UK, using a road map

Key Vocabulary

Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives	Specific
skeleton bone muscle tudor monarch oxygen skeletal	beheaded marry divorce breathe absorb pump transport grown maintain	hard soft strong delicate vulnerable breakable underweight flexible rigid muscular	cranium pelvis femur ribcage artery phalanges scapula patella sternum clavicle